### Bright News of Indiana from Journal Correspondents

### NO ACTION TAKEN IN THE SCHAFER MURDER

Grand Jury Will Take Up the Case To-Day-Detective Reed's Mail Tampered With.

CLEW FROM THE SOUTH

Special to the Indianapolis Journal. BEDFORD, Ind., March 1.-The Lawrence county grand jury, contrary to expectations, did not commence an investigation of the Schafer murder. Owing to the inability of Prosecutor Miller to reach here, the investigation was deferred until 9 o'clock to-Summonses have been issued for fifty witnesses, including teachers in the Bedford schools and companions of the murdered girl. Among those subpoenaed is Miss Eva Love, roommate of Miss

Detective Reed received a communication from the Pinkerton Agency in Chicago today conveying the information that the and daily reports of the detectives were deposited in the receptacle for the Monon station, it develops, passed through the hands of a third person. The seal on all the letters had been and mutilated, and the contents

The mere fact that Detective Reed's tampered with raises grave doubts as to McDonald's guilt. It is not believed an irresponsible person of his calibre could summon influence sufficient, and a desperate character, as to rob a mailbox to gain possession of the detec-

Several days ago Mayor Smith received a communication from Stephen White, at New Orleans, alleging that he knew the identity of the murderer. He said the man who killed Miss Schafer lived in another town and has confessed to him and that to leave the country. In event the prosecution agreed to shield him and not indict would return and place sufficient evidence day. in the possession of the state to insure conviction. Assistant Prosecutor Stephenson and Mayor Smith accepted the offer and promised immunity from arrest. A registered letter to this effect was dispatched

Attorney Olin Bundy, member of the investigating committee, has collapsed under nervous strain, caused by arduous duties in connection with the investigation, and has been ordered by his physician to a

McDonald's attorneys were notified by their client to-night that he would ask for a change of venue in case the grand jury returns an indictment this week. In event of a change McDonald will be tried in the Monroe Circuit Court at Bloomington.

DYNAMITE EXPLODED; FARMER DISMEMBERED

Five Pounds of the Explosive Detonated by Jar of the Wagon in Which It Was.

Special to the Indianapolis Journal. GOSHEN, Ind., March 1 .- Albert Mottmiller, aged forty-six, a farmer seven miles northwest of Wakarusa, was blown to an explosion of dynamite, Monday afternoon, a short distance from his starting away in his spring five pounds of the explosive some stone the trustee had given him. It is the supposition that the jar to his wagon caused by the rough road he was traversing caused the explosion. His body ning gear and the horse escaped injury. The runaway horse was captured by a neighbor who heard the explosion, and he officers and another person gathered up the portions of the remains and took them to his Mottmiller left a widow and five

IMPORTANT TRANSFERS.

South Bend Companies Are Seeking Greater Accommodations.

Special to the Indianapolis Journal.

SOUTH BEND, Ind., March 1.-The Kaestner Manufacturing Company and the Miller Knob Lock Electric Company have closed a deal by which the former company into possession of the latter's big The consideration was \$18,000. The plant will be used by the purchasers in the manufacture of automobile supplies. The Miller Knob Lock Company will not retire from business, but will erect a large plant in the south part of the city.

Another important deal of the day was the sale of the property of the Electric Investment company, or Mishawaka, to the South Bend Home Telephone Company, which secured the site at the corner of Main and First streets, Mishawaka, for a consideration of \$14,000.

BOY IS HICCOUGHING HIS STRENGTH AWAY

Special to the Indianapolis Journal, LAFAYETTE, Ind., March 1.-Leslie Moore, a boy who was severely injured in a coasting accident several weeks ago, is strength on account of severe spells of hiccoughing, which the doctors cannot check. | tained by fraud, and that it was unduly gled and fractured a rib, which penetrated his lung. The rib was removed and an abscess developed. This was followed by the

hiccoughing attacks, each one of which left him in a weaker condition. Conditions in the Shutt Camps.

Special to the Indianapolis Journal. LAWRENCEBURG, Ind., March 1 .-Labor Commissioner McCormack has been of the Shutt Improvement Company along | changed to Earlham College. Notre Dame tion of the camps is horrible, chiefly due includes a guarantee fund of \$500. A meetto the carelessness of the men themselves, ing of the Earlham authorities was held a motley crowd of foreigners. He will this afternoon but no definite action was recommend an effective policing of the taken. Notre Dame has no desire to recamps and that the contractors be re- linquish the contest, but is willing to favor cuired to pay the laborers on the spot in- Earlham. Eleven States are included in the stead of giving them checks on Cincinnati association.

Pythinas at Shelbyville.

Special to the Indianapolis Journal, SHELBYVILLE, Ind., March 1 .- The Knights of Pythias county meeting, held in this city this afternoon and evening, was largely attended, 500 people being present Esquire rank was conferred on twenty-five candidates by one of the visiting teams and to-night twenty-six candidates were given the Knight rank, Lodges from St. Paul Waldron, Fairland, London, Fountaintown, Morristown, Geneva, Flatrock, Marietta and Cynthianna were represented.

Mains Did Double Service.

Special to the Indianapolis Journal. NEW CASTLE, Ind., March 1.- The hot water system of this city has rendered double service to the residents along its lines this winter. Besides keeping the Special to the Indianapolis Journal. streets has also kept a broad dry path above them which has been the popular



KIRTLEY JAMISON GREGG

DOMESTIC DISCORD DUE TO HIS OWN ACTIONS

Gregg, on the Stand, Takes the Blame for the Separation of Himself and His Wife.

SHIELDING HIS MOTHER

Special to the Indianapolis Journal. CRAWFORDSVILLE, Ind., March 1 .-George Gregg, divorced husband of Mrs. June Gregg, and son of the defendant, was a consideration of \$600 White agreed on the stand all day in the Gregg alienationof-affections suit. He was under cross-exhim as an accessory after the fact he amination when court adjourned for the

> ration. He said his wife undoubtedly had cause to be jealous, as after his marriage he conducted himself toward young women sively in pork packing in connection with just the same as before. His entire line of testimony tended to exonerate his mother He admitted calling on a young woman at Homer. Ill., after his marriage and sending her flowers, and said that his attentions to young women at fraternity dances had angered his wife. He also admitted the Board of Education in the public taking the picture of a Chicago young schools. Of late years he lived in retire woman in questionable deshabille. He ment. A widow and four children survive. denied having kissed the young woman so frequently mentioned during the trial at a day afternoon, with interment at Riverside fraternity dance, but said there was one woman who had been the cause of many quarrels by himself and his wife. He said his mother had not, at any time, done or said anything tending to allenate his affection for his wife.

Letters were introduced by him tending to disprove his wife's statement that she was in good health when they were married, and that her health deteriorated under the unpleasant influences of the Gregg home. Nothing important developed in the crossexamination, except that Gregg admitted that he was inclined to be quick-tempered.

PYTHIANS' DISTRICT MEETING AT BRAZIL

Special to the Indianapolis Journal. BRAZIL, Ind., March 1.-Almost every of the Thirteenth district Knights of Pythias. A large number of Pythians were fragments widely scattered. His wagon here. Services were conducted at Castle box was torn to small pieces, but the run- Hall and this evening the guests were Merrill E. Wilson, Elkhart; Grand Vice Chancellor George W. Powell, Indianapolis; Grand Prelate Frank J. Dunton, Lagrange; Grand Instructor Union B. Hunt, Winchester; Grand Keeper of Records and Seal Harry Wade, Indianapolis; Grand Master at Arms Jonce Monyhan, Orleans; Grand Inner Guard F. L. Cross, Muncie; Grand Outer Guard Arthur J. Lowe, Greensburg; Grand Master of Exchequer William A. Morris, Frankfort; Major General James R. Carnahan, In-dianapolis, and C. F. S. Neal, president of the board of control of the endowment

> SUIT FILED TO BREAK THE MOORHEAD WILL

> Nephews and Nieces Seek to Prevent Realization by the Widow on Her Share of Estate.

SOUTH BEND, Ind., March 1.-Thomas

Special to the Indianapolis Journal.

N., Effic B., Rachel L., Margaret M. and Harvey J. Whiteman and Samuel Fergus OFFICERS ELECTED BY and John H. Rock, ir., of Pittsburg, have filed suit against Mrs. Mary Moorhead and Albert H. Cushing in an effort to set aside the will of George P. Moorhead, who mar-ried Miss Tutt Jan. 4 of the present year, George J. Marott Is Presidentat the St. Joseph Hospital, while Mr. Moorhead was on his deathbed. The plaintiffs are the nephews and nieces of the deceased. They allege that Moorhead died unmarried and without children. The plaintiffs give as their reasons for setting lying at St. Elizabeth's Hospital in a criti- aside the will that Moorhead was at the cal condition. He is gradually losing time of the attempted execution of the alleged will of unsound mind; that the will was executed under duress; that it was ob-

> EARLHAM MAY SECURE INTERSTATE CONTEST

Special to the Indianapolis Journal. RICHMOND, ind., March 1.-There is : possibility that the interstate oratorical contest if the latter would assume all the responsibilities that the step involves. This this afternoon but no definite action was

High Water in Jasper County.

Special to the Indianapolis Journal. RENSSELAER, Ind., March 1.-High water prevails over Jasper county. In Rensselaer the Iroquois river is higher than for thirty years. For miles below the town the river is a solid pack of ice, the gorge reaching through the town. The overflow covers all of Riverside addition, all the basements and outbuildings being flooded and every dwelling cut off by broad and rapid streams of water. All the people in the addition have moved out temporarily except one man who keeps up communica- sentatives from all over the United States tion with the rest of the town by wagon. The ice is packed under and around the Milroy-avenue bridge, a massive steel structure, and has raised it off its abutments. but it has been anchored with heavy chains and probably will hold.

Barn and Contents Destroyed.

time, the heat from the pipes buried in the large barn owned by Oscar Towler, at St. Omer, was destroyed by fire early this walk for all people using the streets which | morning, with its contents. Several horses follow the hot water mains. The deepest were saved with difficulty. The loss is snow and heaviest rain are quickly dried \$3,000, with small insurance. The fire is supposed to be the work of an incendiary.

#### LAPORTE COUNCIL HAS THREATENED REMOVAL

Pay Water Bills Against Supreme Court's Decision.

Special to the Indianapolis Journal. LAPORTE, Ind., March 1.-The Common Council last night at a special session passed under suspension of the rules an ordinance making it possible for the Council to remove city officials from office by a two-

The Indiana Supreme Court having declared filegal the twenty-one year contract by which the city purchased from the Laporte Water Supply Company 30,000,000 gallons of water a month for \$900 a month, viding for the purchase of water from the ompany from day to day. Some time later a bill for \$1,629 for water used was allowed by the mayor and clerk, but City Treasurer Freese refused to pay it, on the advice of lowance was illegal. Mr. Freese has since continued to refuse to pay the warrant. The Council, therefore, has intimated that it will remove him from office. All those concerned are Democrats. Freese pired term of Charles Schultz, deceased.

WAYNE COUNTY NATIVE

John W. Callaway, Who Was Born Near Cambridge City, Seventy Six Years Ago.

Special to the Indianapolis Journal. CAMBRIDGE CITY, Ind., March 1 .- John W. Callaway, aged seventy-six, died at his residence in this city this morning of se-

this city, on Feb. 9, 1828, and was actively engaged in the business interests of this Gregg, in the course of his testimony, city the greater portion of his life. He was ARREST OF A GROOM took on himself all the blame for the sepa- a school teacher at the age of eighteen, which vocation he followed several years, after which he embarked in general merfarming, and was one of the most extensive grain and stock dealers in the county. From 1863 until 1873 he was president of the Cambridge City Bank, which was subsequently merged into the present First National Bank. He was also a member of Cambridge Lodge, No. 5, F. and A. M., having been a charter member of Royal Arch Chapter, No. 9. He was also a member of schools. Of late years he lived in retire-The funeral services will be held Thurs-

Other State Necrology. CARTHAGE, Ind., March 1.-Thomas W. Henley, aged eighty-five, died this morning at his residence near town. He was a native ty when twelve years old. Elias Phelph, of Greensboro, is the only survivor of the party of sixty that came at that time. 1853 Mr. Henley bought the farm where he died. In 1854 he married Hanna C. Williams, of Ohio, who, with six of their seven children, survives. Mr. Henley was a birthright Quaker and an ardent Republican. SULLIVAN, Ind., March 1.-Lee M. Allan, one of the leading farmers of this county, died yesterday in a Chicago hospital after an operation for cancer. Mr. Allan was a son of Ben A. Allan, one of the pioneers of the county. He was fifty-one years old and a member of the Methodist Church. He is survived by a widow, two sons and one daughter. The body arrived here to-day for burial. DUBLIN, Ind., March 1.-Mrs. Rachel Burkett, aged seventy-nine, widow of Rufolph Burkett, died this morning at the home of her son-in-law, Joseph L. Grif-

fith, east of Dublin, of paralysis. She settled in Wayne county with her parents in 1830. One daughter, Mrs. Griffith, survives. Interment will be at Cambridge City. ENGLISH, Ind., March 1.-Elmer B. Carr, one of the proprietors of the English Stave & Heading Factory, at this place, died this morning of pneumonia. He was a prominent Mason and was also a member of the Modern Woodmen. The Masonic order will have charge of the funeral. He was thirty-

SHELBYVILLE, Ind., March 1.-Laranzo Manlies died at his home in St. Paul this morning at 5 o'clock, after a sickness of several months with lung trouble, aged sixty-two. He served in one of the Indiana regiments during the civil war. NEW CASTLE, Ind., March 1.-Miss Alice

eight years old.

W. Hume, aged eighty, is dead at her home, near this city. The cause was old age. She had lived in retirement for many years with her brother, William Hume, WINAMAC, Ind., March 1.-Mrs. Mary Rowan, aged seventy-nine, died here last night. The husband was Henry P. Rowan the first land register in the government land office at Winamac, in 1839. PETERSBURG, Ind., March 1.-Mrs. of fifty of the members have been secured Wiggs, wife of Joseph W. Wiggs, principal and they will charter a special car in which of the Madison township graded schools, to make the trip. died at her home at Bowman, Ind., Monday

KOKOMO-MARION LINE

Plans for an Early Extension of the Railroad.

Special to the Indianapolis Journal. KOKOMO, Ind., March 1 .- At a stockholders' meeting of the Kokomo, Marion & Western Traction Company, in Kokomo to-day, officers were elected as follows: President, George J. Marott, Indianapolis; vice president, L. J. Kirkpatrick, Kokomb: secretary-treasurer and manager, T. C. McReynolds, Kokomo; superintendent of construction, Lee Hall, Marion; assistant superintendent of construction, G. W. Norwood, Kokomo, Directors-W. O. Kellar and Lee Hall, Marion; W. R. Cummings, Bluffton; George J. Marott, Indianapolis; L. J. Kirkpatrick, and T. C. McReynolds. Kokomo, and W. W. Layton, Covington. It was given out that the company would proceed with the work of extending its line at the earliest possible moment this spring to East Cairo. L. B. Whitesides, of this and complete the road as far east as Bluffton, via Marion, the present season. It is also understood that something will be ione westward from Kokomo very soon, Lafayette to be reached en route. The company has twenty-three miles in successful

GOOD TRADE EXPECTED BY JOBBERS IN PLATE

No Change in Glass Prices Expected-Association Elects Officers at Cleveland.

CLEVELAND, March 1.-The American Plate Glass Jobbers' Association completed its organization at a meeting of reprehere to-day. No action was taken regarding a change in price. The new officers said there would be no change in the plate glass same as at present.

Officers elected were: President, E. C. Sherbourne, Boston; vice president, M. S. Kenney, Chicago; secretary and treasurer. H. S. Rinswanger, Richmond, Va. The handicap of strikes and other troubles that existed in the glass trade last year is not anticipated for the coming

Mrs. Austin's famous pancake flour is in

town-fresh and delicious as ever.

### WIFE MURDER TRIAL TO BE BEGUN TO-DAY

City Treasurer Freese Refused to Cyrus M. Todd, of Boone County, Accused of Killing His Wife on Dec. 31 Last.

DEMOCRATS IN A ROW STORY OF THE TRAGEDY

Special to the Indianapolis Journal. LEBANON, Ind., March 1.-The trial of Cyrus M. Todd, on the charge of murdering his nineteen-year-old wife, will begin to-morrow morning. A special venire of forty jurors has been drawn. Todd has been in jail for several weeks and has just recovered from a severe attack of the measies, which he contracted on the

The trial will attract much attention the Council had adopted a resolution pro- owing to the prominence of the families, and the circumstances surrounding the by the Council, and a warrant was drawn on the afternoon of Dec. 31, 1903, at the residence in Jackson township. According to the story told by Todd, who was the only witness of the shooting, he had been suffering with headache and concluding that open air exercise might relieve him, took his gun and went hunting. He returned was elected by the Council to fill the unex- | home about 4 o'clock in the afternoon, having obtained no relief from the headache. He placed the gun on the bed and sat down on the edge of the bed with his face in his hands. Mrs. Todd, he says, picked DIES AT ADVANCED AGE up the gun, which was discharged and the entire load entered her breast, causing almost instant death.

There were certain circumstances which aroused the suspicion of relatives of the dead woman, who was a daughter of ex-County Commissioner James H. McLean. The weapon was of the safety kind, which seemed to preclude the idea of accidental discharge. It also developed that Todd's wife had told her mother that threats had been made against her by Todd. The coroner investigated, and while stating that there were evidences of foul play, he decided to give Todd the benefit of the doubt and accordingly found that Mrs. Todd's up the case and after a thorough examina-Mr. Callaway was born at Milton, near | tion returned an indictment, charging Todd with murder in the first degree,

AFTER HIS MARRIAGE

cantile business and also engaged exten- Elopement from Fort Wayne in Which Bride Is Said to Be but Thirteen Years Old.

> Special to the Indianapolis Journal. BLUFFTON, Ind., March 1.-John Hines, jr., aged twenty-seven, and Esther True benbach, aged eighteen, according to he story, eloped to this city from Fort Wayne yesterday, driving through in a buggy, and were married last night by the Rev. J. F. Warner at the home of Hines's uncle, William Crouse, who assisted them in securing a marriage license To-day the girl's father, Henry Truebenbach, arrived from Fort Wayne and caused Hines's arrest on the charge of kidnaping. | ing also stating his intention of causing

Crouse's arrest on the charge of sweargirl is only thirteen years of age. Hines will be given a trial on Wednesday. The girl was attending school at Fort Wayne and she left home as usual to go to school. Instead of returning in the evening she sent a letter notifying her parents of her intended marriage.

OPERATOR'S SUICIDE.

Reelsville Man Shoots Himself in the Head at Harmony.

BRAZIL, Ind., March 1.-Albert Reynolds, telegraph operator for the Vandalia at Reelsville, committed suicide in the rear of mother, Mrs. Reynold's, with whom he "Will you forgive me for this? My, mind is gone. Bury me at Reelsville.'

INDIANA NOTES.

RICHMOND.-The Democrats of New Garden township have put themselves on record without waiting to see what the more prominent members of their party may do in reference to the coming campaign. At sylvania, quoted the prices on coal mining their meeting to organize they passed resolutions reaffirming the 1896 and 1900 platforms and expressing admiration for Bryan. The resolutions declare against the least

Shelbyville lodge of Odd Fellows an invitation was received and accepted to be present at Indianapolis Lodge, No. 465, next Friday evening, to confer the initiatory de gree on a number of candidates. The names

RUSHVILLE.-Ivy Lodge, extensive arrangements for the celebration of the thirty-first anniversary of the order here on Friday evening, March 4. There will be an exemplification of Damon and Pythias by members of the lodge and James E. Watson will deliver an address on Pythianism.

LAWRENCEBURG .- At Greendale, near here, the home of John Kennedy, foreman of the Rossville Distilling Company, was entered by thieves Monday night. They secured a watch valued at \$100 and \$120 in cash. The home of Albert Feisert, a the resolution, but Mr. Robbins immed gauger, was robbed of \$25 and some ately offered a substitute to the effect the trinkets.

BATESVILLE .- Four rural mail routes rant a 15 per cent. reduction. Neither were established at this place on Tuesday, measure came to a vote, arguments pro and with Louis Goyert, O. L. Newman, Joseph | con continuing throughout the day until Niese and Henry Drockelman as carriers, Petitions are pending for additional routes. The service discontinues the postoffice at Ballstown, with W. F. Care as postmas-

JASPER.-Leonard Bretz, who died on Sunday at Huntingburg, had one of the largest collections of rare coins, stamps, Indian relics and geological specimens in Indiana. In his will he stipulates that the entire collection, or collections, be sold, after being appraised.

FRANKLIN.-Franklin men are heavily interested in a company which has been organized in Kentucky with a \$250,000 capital to build an electric line from Paducah

Badly Crushed in Shafting.

MARION, Ind., March 1.-Herman Ludwig, aged twenty-eight, second brewer at the Indiana Brewing Association's plant in Marion, was badly injured at 4 o'clock this morning by being caught in a revolving shafting. His body was badly crushed and he was cut and brulsed. An injury to his spinal column produced absolute paralysis of the lower part of his body. He will recover, but probably will be permanently injured.

Limited Service Discontinued.

Special to the Indianapolis Journal. RICHMOND, Ind., March 1.-The limited traction cars that have been running beunsatisfactory and the Richmond cars will lation: hereafter connect with the Indianapolis made for a through service until the Main- | 31, 1903, \$6,751,025.49. business and that prices would remain the street bridge obstruction is removed and

the cars can run into Richmond Elkhart Company's Finances.

Special to the Indianapolis Journal. SOUTH BEND, Ind., March 1 .- The National Manufacturing Company, of Elkhart, building season, and a good trade is looked | to-day filed a schedule of assets and liabilities with the referee in bankruptcy, F. E. tion and ask for a reduction in wages. If Lambert. The assets are \$118,946.74 and the liabilities \$131,545.17. The first meeting of increase its receipts 86 per cent. In one year, creditors will be held on March 12.

# WHY WAIT FOR SPRING?

Spring Business has commenced. The chief value of Telephone Service is that it enables you to "TAKE TIME BY THE FORELOCK" as

THE

## Central Union Telephone Co.

did last Fall by installing in its switchboard 1,500 new lines in order to meet the need of the large number of new subscribers, who desired to reap the benefit of the extensive improvements in the service, wrought by experts from the East and West, who have combined their efforts to make THIS SERVICE THE BEST THAT MONEY CAN BUY, AND NOW THE COMPANY

### IS READY TO TAKE YOUR ORDER TO=DAY

Call The Contract Department MAIN 2544.

Strike or Peace in Coal Fields Depends Upon Will of Three Dozen Men

(CONCLUDED FROM FIRST PAGE.) the point that unless they secure a reduction they could not operate at a profit durthe coking year because reductions are being made in other industries; that to secure contracts they are compelled to cut ing to a false affidavit. He alleges that the | their former prices and that it is a time of general industrial depression One fact brought out at the convention yesterday was that both sides are as sincere in their convictions of the right of

> speeches yesterday were uttered with no little feeling and with much force. President Mitchell, Vice President Lewis and Mr. Robbins occupied the morning with their arguments. During the afternoon session the operators took the initiative and pressed the arguments aggressively. The fight was carried on through the afternoon by H. L. Chapman, J. W. Gutherie, of Ohio, W. J. Mullens and Harry Taylor, of Illinois, W. S. Bogle, of Indiana, and Mr. Robbins, for the operators; Mr. Mitchell, Secretary W. B. Wilson and Patrick Dolan,

their positions as they are firm. The

for the miners. The positions maintained by the repre sentatives of the operators was that it was not fair for the miners to take the prices He was twenty-seven years old and sin- for justifying a renewal of the present scale. Each operator spoke for his own State in the policy which was to be followed during the coming year, and without exception each declared that the companies will accept nothing but a reduction. A salient point made by each was that in order for the companies to renew contracts they are now being compelled to cut their former prices. The variations in the price of coal within the last few months was also shown at some length. The arguments of the miners were continued along the lines laid down in the morning session. Patrick Dolan, of Pennin the Pittsburg district, showing the profits made by the operators. One of the strongest speeches made yesterday was that of Vice President Lewis,

who made as his leading point the fact that a reduction is not warranted, for the reason that prices are raising in other com-PRESIDENT MITCHELL SPRINGS SURPRISE.

miners at the opening of the convention yesterday morning remained unaltered throughout the day. When the convention Knights of Pythias, of this city, is making was called to order an Ohio miner presented a motion that the present scale be adopted. It was lost.

President Mitchell then sprang a surprise on the operators by arising and reading a bring nere the anthracite miners and minnumber of resolutions which embodied the original demands of the miners-the present mining scale, with the run-of-mine basis; the 7-cent differential between pick and machine mining; a uniform outdoor wage for day labor and a wage of \$2.55 for the brushers in the long wall mines. President Mitchell moved the adoption of

ately offered a substitute to the effect that the industrial conditions of the time warevening, when they were referred to the scale committee. The part played in the convention yesterday by the Pittsburg Coal Company was remarkable. From its introduction by Mr. Mitchell it was cited in almost every speech. The miners presented it as the ed objection was taken by the operators be taken as a basis for the operations of

COMPANY'S REPORT DISCUSSED. Mr Mitchell began his first arguments yesterday by pointing out that the arguments of the operators as present at the former conference would not hold good. He referred to the argument that many of the larger manufacturers of the country were closing down. Mr. Mitchell read newspaper articles, showing that these plants had Coal Company, saying in part: 'I want to read into the record a report dicates that the demands made by Mr. Rob- and make profits next year. bins are not warranted by his statement to his own directors. Mr. Robbins, in his report at a meeting held, I believe, during the WAGE SCALE NOW IN month of January, in giving the report of his companies up to the end of December,

'The net earnings of your company and its subsidiary companies (exclusive of the Monongahela River Consolidated Coal and Personnel of Body Which Is Striv-Coke Company, whose earnings, assets and liabilities are shown separately in an appended report) for the year ending Dec. 31 1903, greatly exceed those of the preceding year, as is shown in the following recapitu-

" 'Net earnings year ending Dec. 31, 1902, cars at Dublin. No further effort will be \$4,706,587.12; net earnings year ending Dec "Then follows a condensed summary of the principal expenditures, showing the different plants that have been purchased by the Pittsburg Coal Company. It shows that they have paid out \$40,000,000, but of that \$14,000,000 was paid out of the surplus earn-

"Now, Mr. Chairman, I submit that as a matter of absolute fairness, it is not right for the operators to come into this conven- Hall, Thomas Hardwick, Owen Cruse.

loss, a slight depression, without asking t miners to share it all for them. "And I want to say the most convincing proof that it is possible to secure is the report of the Pittsburg Coal Company. am not going to say anything about the Western trade. All we need to do is to turn to the published reports of the price of coal in the Chicago market, in the great Northwest, to demonstrate that in Indiana and Illinois there cannot be even a temporary reason assigned in favor of a reduction of

LABOR CONDITIONS IMPROVED. "Mr. Chairman, I do earnestly hope that the operators present will see their way duction in wages and let this movement go on. They have enjoyed their full measure of prosperity during those last five or six years. We, too, have done very well. "Our conditions of life and our conditions of labor are better than they ever were before; but, let me say to you, that in return for these better conditions of life

and labor we have given you better serv-"The reports of our product show that for every day our people go down in the mines they give you a greater return. It shows you that we perform our labor better than we did during the old times, when we wer at war continuously. If it were possible for me to say anything that would perpetuate this movement more than I have said I should certainly not take my seat now. hope that we will go on and that we will continue to be, as we have been in the past six years, the leaders in the cause of in On the 31st day of December, 1903

dustrial peace. obbins replied to Mr. Mitchell, say ing in part: "Mr. Mitchell bases his argument, to start, upon the fact that the furnaces of the U.S. Steel and other companies in the vicinity of Pittsburg have started up. How have they started up? By a reduction for every man that works for them. Not a man but has stood a reduction in order to start them up. 'We have reduced our coal to start them

up also. That is why they are started. And it is why you will start, and why you The stand taken by both operators and will get more work if you will make a corresponding reduction in your wages. "I want to protest, to start with, Mr. The amount of its capital paid up must be bolstered up by bringing representatives of the United Mine Workers of America here, in place of the miners belonging to this four-state movement. want to protest that the movement has got beyond you when you have got to ers from all over the field in order to make a scale for the operators of Pennsylvania, Ohlo, Indiana and Illinois. You have gone beyond the possibility of fairness when you do this. You know your cause is weak when you attempt to bring them here and have a packed gallery for this purpose."

CAPITAL LACKS CONFIDENCE. "Mr. Mitchell has referred to the statement of the Pittsburg Coal Company. There is not a word in that statement that is not "Did you ever realize what an investment

of a large operating company means? "Mr. Mitchell has given an opportunity to make an object lesson here. I am Dividends apportioned and not ashamed almost to state it, but capital has so little confidence in you and in your trade strongest argument in their cause. Repeat- unionism that it is unwilling to invest its | Losses unadjusted ..... money, even upon the basis of this showing, Losses in suspense, waiting for on the ground that its operation could not and to-day the stock of the company that was purchased at par, or \$100, is selling the other companies of the competitive dis- for \$49, and the people who have owned it and have put their money into it have suffered that terrible depreciation of having it cut in two. Now, in the face of all this, with your knowledge of it, there have been reductions in all those fields. Now you

say, for one, as far as I am concerned, I shall never sign a scale except upon these Mr. Mitchell took the floor for a few minutes at this point and referred to a statement issued to the stockholders of the Pittsburg Coal Company to the effect that started up business again. He then turned it would be able to pay 10 per cent, divihis attention to the report of the Pittsburg | dends for the next five years, even if it did ment," he said, "I believe the Pittsburg of the Pittsburg Coal Company, which in- | Coal Company can operate at present prices

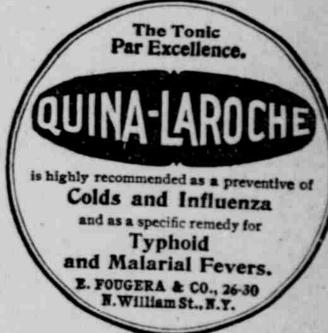
HANDS OF COMMITTEE

ing to Reach a Peaceable Agreement.

The personnel of the scale committee, in whose hands is now the question of agreeing upon a wage scale, is as follows:

-Pennsylvania.-Operators-Principals: Francis L. Robbins, G. W. Schleuderberg, O. A. Blackburn, W. W. Keefer, Alternates: George A. Magoon, J. T. N. Stonerood, Edward Soppet, Walter Calverly, Miners-Principals: Patrick Dolan, William Dodds, Robert Beattle, Michael Eichler, Alternates: Thomas Dean, J. W.

Operators-Principals: J. H. Winder, H. I say they can well afford to stand a slight 'L. Chapman, J. O. Roby, W. K. Field. Al-



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### -HARTFORD-Life Insurance Co.

It is located at No. 252 Asylum Street, Hartford, Conn.

GEORGE E. KENNEY, President. CHAS. H. BACALL, Secretary.

The amount of its capital is ..... \$500,000.00

The Assets of the Company in the United States

are as follows: Cash on hand and in the hands of agents or other persons ..... \$524,088.21 Real estate unincumbered..... Bonds owned by the company, bearing interest at the rate of Loans on bonds and mortgages of real estate, worth double the amount for which the same is mortgaged, and free from any Debts otherwise secured ...... 115,422.51

Debts for premiums .....

All other securities ...... 14,753.97

LIABILITIES. Amount due to creditors ..... due ..... Losses adjusted and not due ..... 117,298.80 further proof ..... All other claims against the company, net safety funds...... 1,137,375.28 Legal reserve ...... 1,005,241.81 Total liabilities ......\$2,417,385.53 The greatest amount in any one

State of Indiana, Office of Auditor of State. I, the undersigned, auditor of state of tha State of Indiana, hereby certify that the above is a correct copy of the statement of the condition of the above-mentioned company on the 31st day of December, 1903, as shown by the original statement, and that the said original statement is now on file

risk ...... \$15,000.00

In testimony whereof I hereunto subscribe my name and affix my offi-[SEAL.] cial seal this 26th day of Febru-D. E. SHERRICK, Auditor of State.

ternates: G. C. Weitzell, H. E. Willard, T. W. Guthrie, C. L. Cassingham. Miners-Principals: T. L. Lewis, W. H. Haskins, D. H. Sullivan, G. W. Savage. Alternates: Michael Collins, William Green, W. H. Worker, George Cecil.

-Indiana.-Operators-Principals, bituminous: W. S. Bogle, John K. Siefert, A. M. Ogle; block, John McClelland. Alternates, bituminous, Hugh Shirkie, J. Smith Talley, Joseph Freeman; block, William Zellar. Miners-Princis pals, bituminous: George Hargrove, John Boyle; block, William Wilson, William Treager. Alternates, bituminous: G. W. Lackey, George Cordell; block, James Cantwell, William Houston.

-Illinois.-Operators-Principals: H. N. Taylor, J. H. Garaghty, P. F. Bush, F. S. Peabody, Alternates: E. T. Bent, F. W. Lukins, A. J. Moorshead, R. Smith. Miners-Principals: Thomas Reynolds, Edward Cahill, W. D. Ryan, H. C. Perry. Alternates: John Walker, W. T. Morris, F. M. Guthrie, Edward